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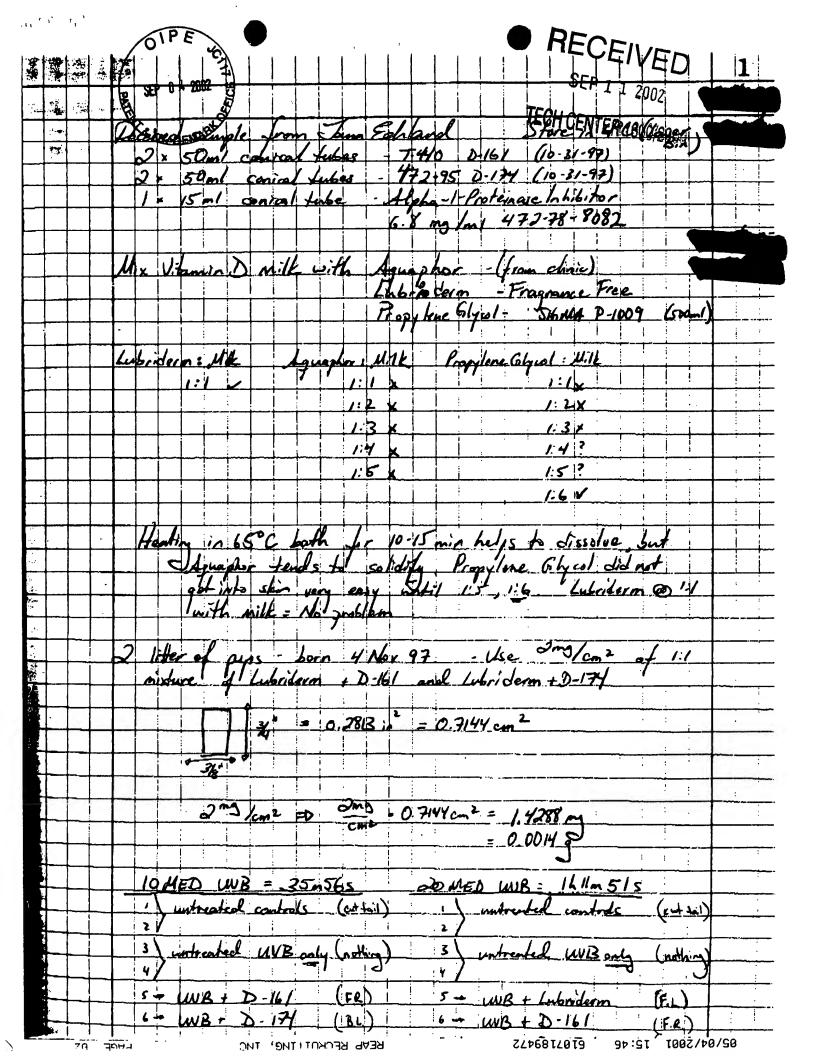
Bernstein, hereby declare that: I, Eric F.

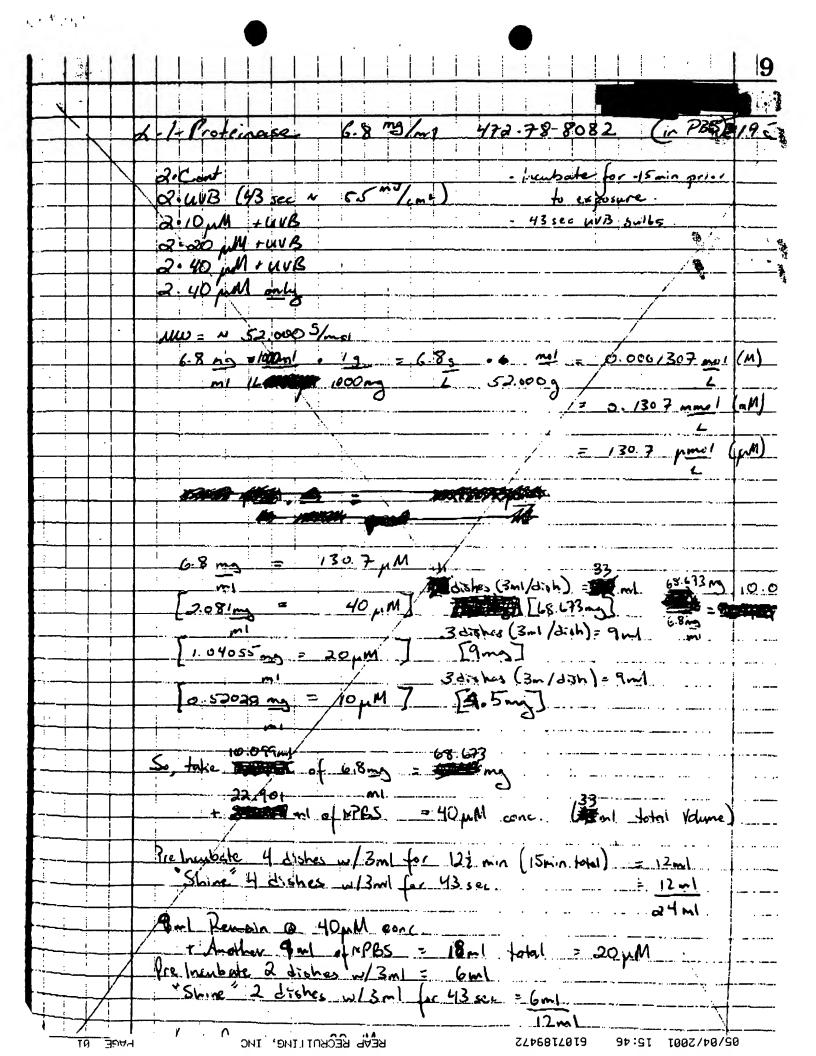
- I am a co-inventor of the above-identified application and am most familiar with the subject matter of this application and the research effort occurring in my laboratory located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania which lead to the discovery of this invention.
- As evidenced by pages from laboratory notebooks attached hereto, experiments have been performed demonstrating the ability of serine protease inhibitors to protect against cutaneous photodamage in a transgenic mouse model containing the human elastin promoter linked to a chloramphenicol acetyltransferase (CAT) reporter gene. This model is wellaccepted for its utility in testing compounds that may inhibit cutaneous photodamage in humans.
- The experiments described in the attached laboratory notebook pages were performed under my direct supervision prior to November 5, 1998.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may

jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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